



## Arizona Early Childhood Development & Health Board

### Gila River Indian Community Regional Partnership Council

#### **Meeting Minutes – October 24, 2013**

##### **Call to Order**

Regular Meeting of the First Things First, **Gila River Indian Community Regional Partnership Council** held **Thursday, October 24, 2013**, at **4:30 p.m.** held at **Vechij Himdag High School (VHM), 168 S. Skill Center Road, Sacaton, Arizona 85147.**

##### **Members Present**

Melissa Madrid, Chair  
Mary Tatum  
Sandra Nasewytewa  
Honorable Judge Kami Hart  
Kim Franklin  
Emily Warburton (teleconference)

##### **Members ABSENT**

Dale Enos, Vice Chair  
Priscilla Foote  
Priscilla Antone  
Brooklyn Dee

Chair Madrid called the meeting to order at approximately 4:48 p.m.

##### **Consent Agenda**

Chair Madrid called for a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2013. Member Tatum moved to approve the minutes as presented. Member Honorable Judge Hart seconded. Motion carried.

##### **Call to the Public**

None

##### **SFY15 Funding Planning**

**Timeline** – Director Brown reviewed the SFY15 funding plan timelines slated through June 2013. She further explained the funding plan process for SFY15. She also reminded the Council it will be voting on the SFY15 Funding Plan at November's meeting and the importance of having quorum to vote on the funding plan so it may be presented to the Board in December for approval.

**3-Year Strategic Summary and Strategy Overview** – Director Brown provided an overview of the Council's system building efforts, priorities, goals, and outcomes. She further explained to the Council the importance of positively impacting children with the current service delivery system, serving children and adhering to the Council's prioritized goals areas, linking strategies to identify continuum of care for children to prevent loss and gaps of services within the current framework, ensuring the current system is impacting children in remote areas, blight areas, and contiguous boundary areas, and ensuring that the funding plan reflects the alignment between indicators and priorities.

##### **Needs and Assets Update**

Director Brown provided the Council with a status update on the 2014 Needs and Assets Report Project overview. She briefly summarized the scope of work for the assessment, and requested feedback from the Council. Director Brown will continue to provide the Council update throughout the process.

##### **Benchmarking update**

Director Brown shared a letter addressed to Governor Mendoza requesting a meeting to share information regarding FTF's work related to data partnerships with tribes and nations. As of today, due to scheduling conflicts, the meeting has not been scheduled. Director Brown will continue to update the Council of the status and outcome of the meeting with Governor Mendoza.

### **Council Member Updates and General Discussion**

Chair and Vice Chair's October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting – Chair Madrid shared the meeting agenda and provided a brief overview of topics that were discussed.

Community Meeting Children in Crisis, October 10th: Member Honorable Judge Hart provided an update of the “System Building to Support Children in Crisis” Community Meeting. She shared the timeline and purpose of the committee. She further shared who are the committee participants. She will continue to provide updates at future meetings.

### **Regional Director's Report**

Director Brown shared that FTF launched the [www.QualityFirstAZ.com](http://www.QualityFirstAZ.com) website. She further explained this important resource is an effort to raise awareness about why quality matters in child care and preschool. The website highlights the key components of quality early care and education that help prepare children for success in kindergarten and beyond. She encouraged the Council to visit the website.

### **Regional Council Meeting Schedule**

Chair Madrid reviewed the meeting schedule and asked for any conflicts. She also reminded the Council there will be not meeting in December.

- a. November 14, 2013
- b. December, 2013- No Meeting
- c. January 16, 2014
- d. February 20, 2014
- e. March 20, 2014
- f. April 17, 2014
- g. May 15, 2014
- h. June 19, 2014
- i. July 17, 2014
- j. August 21, 2014

### **Adjournment**


Meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Dates this 13<sup>th</sup> day of November 2013**

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Rosemary Galindo, Administrative Assistant



Cathy Thornton Brown, Regional Director

Melissa Madrid, Chair